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We have just received a full line of the
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One Boy's Wheel, \$10.00.

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Second-hand, but tires and wheels are in good condition.

We still have a few first-grade bicycles that we will sell so cheap that
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two months of the season are before us.

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Whole Wheat Graham Flour
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Brookside Fancy Pastry Flour

Best Granulated Corn Meal.

At KEITER'S.

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.

Michael Rowland, of Girardville, Tried to
End His Life This Morning.

Special to EVENING HERALD.
Girardville, Sept. 20.—The people of this
town were startled this morning when it
came known that a well known resident had
made an effort to commit suicide, at his home
on Cedar street.

Michael Rowland, who boards with his
sister, Mrs. Michael McDonald, has been im-
buing quite freely of late. He returned to
his home about eleven o'clock this morning
under the influence of liquor, and securing a
razor made a desperate and probably success-
ful attempt to take his own life. His throat
was terribly lacerated, and he would probably
have succeeded in his evil design had not his
sister, Mrs. McDonald, discovered him in the
act of drawing the razor across his throat the
second time. She struck his arm and knocked
the razor to the floor.

Physicians were hastily summoned, and
this prompt action on the part of the man's
relatives probably saved his life. His condi-
tion, however, is still critical, but the physi-
cians have hopes that he will recover.

SUDDEN DEATH.

Rees J. Thomas Expired To-day While
Undergoing an Operation.

Rees J. Thomas, an old and well known
resident and miner of town, expired suddenly
at his home, 427 West Coal street, this morn-
ing. The announcement of his death was a
shock to the many friends of the family, as
it was entirely unexpected.

At three o'clock last Sunday morning Mr.
Thomas suffered from an attack of cholera
morbus which resulted in producing a stran-
gulation of a hernia from which the deceased
had suffered for many years. Drs. J. Pierce
Roberts and G. M. Hamilton consulted on
the case and decided that the only chance for
relief and recovery was in a delicate opera-
tion. This morning the doctors undertook
the operation and the patient succumbed to
heart failure while under the influence of an
anesthetic.

Mr. Thomas was 56 years, 5 months and 3
days old and is survived by his wife and eight
children, the youngest child being thirteen
years old. There are also seven grand chil-
dren. The deceased had been a resident
of town for about 29 years and was a member
of Shenandoah Lodge No. 153, I. O. of R. M.;
Black Edge Lodge No. 880, I. O. of R. M.;
Antiarctic Lodge No. 74, K. of G. E.; and
the daughters of Pochontas. The announce-
ment of the funeral is deferred pending
communication with a sister of the
deceased, Mrs. Thomas T. Davis, who lives
at Portland, Me., and who will probably be in
attendance.

TERRIBLY BURNED.

A Keg of Powder Explodes and a Miner
Suffers.

Martin Shuckart, a miner 29 years old and
residing in town, was terribly injured by an
explosion of a keg of powder in Parker No.
3 colliery yesterday afternoon. The victim
was removed to the Miners' hospital and the
officials there say his condition is very serious,
as his face, back, hands, arms and legs are
badly burned. It is said a spark from a shot
exploded the powder.

Party at Lost Creek.

A merry birthday party was held last evening
at the residence of Miss Clara Metcalf, of
Lost Creek. It was Miss Metcalf's eighteenth
birthday anniversary and the event was cele-
brated by about thirty of her friends. She
was agreeably surprised by the number of
beautiful presents she received and in ap-
preciation of the gifts invited her guests to
lunch, which was heartily enjoyed.
Among the residents of town, who attended
were: Misses Laura Eckert, Maggie Jacoby,
Josephine Daddow, Birdie and Lizzie Bellis
and Sallie Price, and Messrs. Elwood Jacoby,
Charles Neiswender, E. B. Brumm, Roy
Robright and George Brown.

Had Her Picture "Took."
Miss Jeannette Carew, one of the soubrettes
with the Wilson Comedy Company now
playing at Mahanoy City, visited town this
afternoon and sat for a photo at Billinger's
gallery. She was photographed there last
season and the result pleased her so well that
she decided to pay the establishment a second
visit.

Break in the Line.
Superintendent Bell will shut off the water
this evening at six o'clock, in order to repair
a leak on East Coal street, near Plum alley.
Those using the borough water should
govern themselves accordingly.

Property Sold.
B. J. Yost, who recently gave up his busi-
ness in town upon securing a lease of the
Lakeside hotel and pleasure grounds at East
Mahanoy Junction, yesterday sold his prop-
erty on West Centre street to John Hutzler
of Brownsville, for \$1,700. Mr. Yost will be
a resident of the Junction. He had been a
life-long resident of this town and by his re-
moval it loses one of its most prominent
and active citizens.

Police Eat Claims.
Policemen Murphy, Butler, Matz, Mullaly
and Aratish, with Constable Phillips and
Anthony McManis as guests, held a clam
bake at the Brandonville station of the public
works yesterday and spent a very
pleasant day.

Rebekah Anniversary.
The forty-seventh anniversary of the
organization of the Daughters of Rebekah in
the United States, will be celebrated by
Lydia Lodge, No. 112, of town, to-morrow
afternoon and evening. They will hold an
outdoor social on the lawn adjoining the
home of Mrs. John Metcalf, at Lost Creek. A
special program has been prepared for the
occasion.

Finger Fractured.
While assisting in unloading heavy timber
at the Suffolk colliery yesterday, Anthony
Ambrose had the index finger of his left hand
fractured in two places. The member was
almost severed from the hand. He was
brought to town and Dr. J. Pierce Roberts
administered treatment.

Lithuanian Drama.
A Lithuanian drama in five acts entitled
"Genovieve," was rendered in Robbins' open
house last evening. The players, in a
tally-ho headed by the Lithuanian band,
paraded the streets before the performance
opened. A fair-sized audience was in at-
tendance.

Collieries to Suspend.
All the collieries of the P. & E. R. & I. Co.
will suspend operations to-night and resume
again on Thursday morning, next.

It's folly to suffer from that horrible plague
of the night, itching piles. Doan's Ointment
cures, quickly and permanently. At any
drug store, 50 cents.

INCREASE OF EDUCATION

Encouraging Figures From the
Commissioner of Education.

IN THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

The Increased Attendance Shows the
Desire of Americans That Their Chil-
dren Shall Become Learned.—The In-
crease in Colleges and Universities.

Washington, Sept. 20.—The annual
statement of the commissioner of educa-
tion has been submitted to Secretary
Bills. The report shows satisfactory
reports for the year ending June 30,
1898.

"One cause of congratulation on the part
of those who hold the doctrine that
popular education is the safeguard
to those in colleges, universities, high
schools and academies, the total num-
ber reached 16,255,933."
The total amount of schooling re-
ceived per individual on an average for
the whole United States at the rate of
school attendance for 1897, is very nearly
five years of 200 days each, and re-
aches quite seven years in a few of
the states that are the most lavish in
their expenditures for education. A
little more than one-fifth of the entire
population attended school at some
time during the year.

A still greater occasion for congratulation,
it is stated, is the increase of
students in colleges and universities.
The increase has gone on steadily for
25 years, and in 1872 only 590 persons
in the million were enrolled in these
institutions. In 1897 the number had
risen to 1,215 in the million. During the
same period there has been an im-
portant change in regard to conditions of
admission to colleges. The standard
has been raised to such an extent as
to require of each student a year's work
more in preparation for the freshman
class.

Considering the elevated standard, it
is safe to estimate the number in
higher education, measured by the
standard of 1872, was three times as
large in 1897 as 25 years before. The
increase was most remarkable in those
states taking what was called post
graduate studies and engaged in the
work of original investigation. The
professional students in the schools of
law, medicine and theology increased
during the same period of years. The
same period scientific and technical
schools multiplied.

In view of the continually increasing
demands for higher education, says the
statement, the increase of professional
education, and especially the rapid
growth of that class of students, to
make special expert studies in post
graduate work, is in the highest degree
reassuring.

THE GARRISON OF CUBA.

Forty Thousand Troops Will Soon Be
Sent to the Island.

Washington, Sept. 20.—It is the present
intention of the administration to
send to Cuba, to act as a garrison
force for the island, about 40,000 troops.
In addition to the force now in Santi-
spiro under command of General Law-
ton. The organizations which are to
comprise the Cuban garrison have not
all been designated yet, but it is as-
sured that at least half of them will
be volunteers.

Within two weeks orders will be issued
for the government to Cuba of
10,000 for the permanent garrison, and
it is the expectation now that they will
sail from the United States about Oct.
10. These troops will be followed
quickly by others, until the entire force
of 40,000 has been established on the
island.

It is not the intention of the admini-
stration to await the evacuation of the
island by the Spanish forces before
sending troops to Cuba, as the indica-
tions now are that it may be several
months before the Cuban commission-
ers complete their work. Quite natu-
rally, a considerable number of Span-
ish troops will remain on the island
until the arrangements for the re-
linquishment of Spanish sovereignty
over it formally have been concluded.

Kendrick House Free Lunch.
Grand Army bean soup will be served, free,
to all patrons to-night.

Last Night's Camp Fire.

A camp fire was held yesterday afternoon
and evening in Baird's field at the north end
of Main street. The affair was given by the
Women's Relief Corps, auxiliary to G. G.
A. B. The ladies prepared refreshments
of all kinds and good old Grand Army
bean soup was also to be had. The attendance
was only fair. The proceeds will be donated to
the treasury of the corps.

Lost a Wheel.

While B. J. Yost and Amundus Womer
were driving on Main street this morning the
bur of one of the front wheels fell off and
the wheel followed. Mr. Womer checked
the horse in time to prevent it starting on a
dash.

Council Meeting.

A special meeting of the Borough Council
will be held to-night to meet the boardman
of Tax Collector Scanlan and for general
business.

Mr. Reese Better.

A report from the Miners' hospital this
afternoon stated that the condition of James
Reese was much improved, and that his con-
dition is not considered critical.

Social Gathering.

Miss Lydia Jenkins entertained a number
of her friends at her home in Brownsville
last evening. There was a program of vocal
and instrumental music, games were en-
joyed in and refreshments were served.

Workmen Quarrel.

Two workmen engaged in laying the con-
crete pavement in front of the post office en-
gaged in a quarrel yesterday afternoon. They
climbed, but desisted when the boss appeared
on the scene. One of the fighters had his
shirt torn in shreds.

For your watch repairing and jewelry re-
pairing go to Ike Orkin's, 129 South Main
street.

WEDDINGS.

Miss Rachel Reese Married to Mr. E. E.
Hartman To-day.

Park Place was the scene of a fashionable
society event this afternoon in the marriage
ceremony of Miss Rachel Reese, the accom-
plished daughter of Capt. Edward Reese, su-
perintendent of Leitz and Company's colli-
eries at Park Place, to Mr. Robert Elyworth
Hartman, junior member of the dry goods
firm of I. W. Hartman & Son, at Bloomsburg.
The ceremony took place in the parlor of
the residence of the bride's father,
which was elaborately decorated with
orchids, appropriate to the occasion, and played
the bridal choros from Lehighville when the
bride entered the parlor leaning on the arm
of her father. The bride wore a costume of
ivory white satin with lace and pearl
trimmings. There were on attendants, Rev.
J. W. Hookley, pastor of the Methodist
Episcopal church at Centralia, an old friend
of the family, officiated at the ceremony.
During the ceremony the orchestra
rendered "Trauerlied." Thomas J. Reese,
of Centralia; Dr. George W. Reese, of Silver
Brook; John H. Reese, of Mahanoy City;
Daniel S. Reese, of Mahanoy City; and
Thomas G. Reese, of Park Place, all brothers of the
bride, officiated as ushers. The wedding
dinner was served by a Reading caterer and
a corps of assistants. After the reception
and banquet Mr. and Mrs. Hartman started
for the White Mountains, New Hampshire,
where they will spend the honeymoon. The
bride is one of the most popular young ladies
of the region and has frequently demon-
strated her ability as a vocalist at entertain-
ments held in this town, Ashland and
Mahanoy City for the benefit of charities,
particularly at the concerts held for the
benefit of the Miners' hospital library fund
and the Leitz and Company's colliery fund.

A double wedding took place yesterday
at Philadelphia, when Rev. S. C. Carter,
formerly of the M. E. church, Frackville,
united in marriage Harry Madara and Miss
Gladys Price, and W. S. Schneider and Sallie
McGowan, all of Frackville.

Edward Reitz and Miss Ella McGowan, two
well known young people of Mahanoy City,
were married at an early hour this morning
in St. Fidelis Catholic church, after which
they left for Philadelphia on a wedding tour.

To-morrow afternoon Joseph Equi, of
Frankville, and Miss Kate Clark, of Mahanoy
City, will be joined in wedlock.

Cards are out announcing the approach-
ing wedding of Miss Emily Leitenberger, a
talented young vocalist of Mahanoy City, and
Harry Crum, a member of the force of C.
& L. police. The nuptial knot will be tied
September 28.

Johnson's Cafe, 36 East Centre Street.

Special free lunch to-night.

Violation of Liquor Law.

The affidavit of Detective John J. Toole
was presented to court, setting forth that
Peter Mitchell, wholesale liquor dealer in
the Fourth ward of Minersville; Frank Um-
brovage, retail liquor dealer in the same
ward, and Eugene Elze, retailer in the First
ward, Minersville, have sold liquor on Sun-
days and to minors, giving the dates when
the selling was done, and asking for a rule
to show cause why their licenses should not
be revoked. Court granted the rule, returnable
in two weeks.

Charlatan March (Society's latest) at Brum's.

Need Not Wear Uniforms.
Quartermaster McCauley has settled the
question whether or not a volunteer soldier
on furlough must wear his uniform, in
answer to a communication from the Phila-
delphia Relief Committee. Major McCauley
says that officers and men on furlough could
wear either their uniforms or civilian clothes,
as they pleased. This ruling will enable those
of the returned soldiers who are employed as
salesmen to go to work immediately, and
will permit mechanics to put on their work-
ing clothes without fear of arrest.

Geraniums, fuchsias, juncos, daisies, roses,
etc., for spring planting at Payne's nurseries,
Girardville. Tuberoses and gladioli bulbs.

To Camp Meade.

As the Pennsylvania soldiers have not left
Camp Meade yet, but will probably do so
next week, the Philadelphia & Reading Rail-
way will repeat the cheap excursion of last
year, and will sell tickets for the 25th inst. Train
will leave at 6:05 a. m., and returning leave
Midtown at 6:00 p. m., and Clifton,
the station nearest the camp of the 8th Regiment,
at 6:15 p. m. Fare, \$1.70.

Jurors Excused.

Among those drawn as jurors for this week
and excused by the court, were the follow-
ing: Josiah Walker, fire boss at the Wm.
Penn colliery; John F. Finney, sworn in as
Sole-Treasurer at Philadelphia; Joseph J.
Coughlin, of town, pay roll clerk at Koli-
nor colliery.

Millions of glass bottles—all made by the
proprietors themselves—are needed to con-
tain the annual output of the sub-com-
mittee on railroads that their presence was
desired at a meeting of the same to be held
in Hazleton on Friday of this week, at
10:30 a. m.

The Association at Work.

Secretary Lord of the Anthracite Associa-
tion, notified the members of the sub-com-
mittee on railroads that their presence was
desired at a meeting of the same to be held
in Hazleton on Friday of this week, at
10:30 a. m.

Officers to Visit.

It is expected that several state officers of
the Sons of Veterans will pay an official visit
to a meeting of Henry Horneau Camp No.
40, of town, next Thursday evening. Among
the officers expected are S. S. Horn, of
Easton, monitoring officer of the Pennsylvania
division; A. S. Moulthrop, of Dubois,
division commander, and Adjutant Robert E.
Hopkins, of Milton.

Bishop McGovern's Successor.

Archbishop Ryan stated in positive terms
that it is incumbent on him to keep strict
secrecy regarding the candidates for the
Catholic bishopric of Harrisburg, unless
armed with papal authority. The names of
the three candidates are now on their way to
the Vatican.

Royal Baking Powder.



HECKER'S HARD LOT!

A Former Resident of Town in an
Insane Asylum.

TRYING TO SHIFT THE CARE!

Bradford County Officials Say Schuylkill
County Must Assume Charge of the
Unfortunate Man.—It is a Que-
stion of Transient and Per-
manent Residence.

Many people of this place will remember a
former resident in the person of M. Hecker,
a crayon artist. He lived here for about
fifteen months, keeping house at 36 308
West Centre street, with his wife and child.
He advertised his calling through coupons
published in the HERALD and did a lucrative
business for several months. The field
eventually worked out, reverses set in and
Hecker decided to seek pastures new. He
was heard of twice after leaving this town:
once when his wife was reported dying in
Elmira, N. Y., and yesterday, when the
HERALD was requested by telephone to make
inquiry and learn if a man named M. Hecker
ever resided in Shenandoah, and anything
incident within convenient reach.

Naturally enough the HERALD sought the
reasons for the queries and was informed that
Hecker is an inmate of an insane asylum at
Bradford, Pa. The officials of Bradford
County claim that Hecker is a resident of
Schuylkill county and the officials of the
latter county must assume care of him.

Hecker's lot has been a sad one. Little
was heard of his history during his resi-
dence here. He was a man of quiet, retiring
and unassuming disposition, but sufficient
was gleaned to know that he was well bred
and educated, and came of good family. It
was hinted more than once that some in-
discretion had led to his misfortune. It was
certain that a cloud hovered somewhere in
his history.

In seeking the information asked a HERALD
reporter called upon Mrs. John Dougherty,
of 308 West Centre street. Yes, she remem-
bered the crayon artist and his wife, well.
They rented one of her houses for about a
year and she always found the couple good
tenants and quiet, courteous neighbors. Some
time during last December, or January, the
couple found that the local field had been
prettily worked out and a change of
location was necessary. Elmira, N. Y., was
decided upon as the destination and Mrs.
Dougherty never heard of the couple again
until the reporter called to seek information.

Before moving away Hecker decided that
it would be more economical to sell his house-
hold effects than to pay freight on them, and
they were advertised for sale. Among the
people who called at the house to make pur-
chases was Mrs. James McLaughlin, of West
Centre street. During the talk over the
furniture Mr. and Mrs. Hecker spoke of their
infant child and said they wished some
family would take care of it until they could
secure a permanent location some place. Mrs.
McLaughlin very generously agreed to take
the child, and retained possession of it until
some time last spring, when the mother wrote
and asked that it be sent to her at Elmira.

Mrs. McLaughlin's family had become deeply
attached to the child and the little one
evincing a similar feeling toward
the family. On this account there was a
hesitancy about surrendering the child,
especially as neither the father nor mother
called in person and asked for the custody.
A few days later, however, a telegram was
received from Elmira, stating that the mother
was on her death bed and wanted to see the
child before passing away. A request was
made that the child be sent to Elmira by ex-
press at the earliest possible moment. It was
promptly complied with, and the relations of
the McLaughlin and Hecker families ended
there. Whether or not the mother died was
never learned; but from the intelligence re-
ceived from Bradford it is presumed that the
poor woman's trials ended at Elmira.

The letter received from Bradford is in
possession of the Schuylkill Haven alms-
house officials. It is explicit in but one re-
spect, and that is in expressing the determi-
nation of the Bradford county officials to be
relieved of the care of Hecker. They say
he took sick in Bradford, became insane
while in the hospital, and is now in an in-
sane asylum, a charge upon the county. The
letter also states that it is known that
Hecker lived in Shenandoah from September,
1896, to January, 1898, and paid taxes to Tax
Collector Edward Burke. This residence of
over a year and payment of taxes, the
Bradford county officials claim, shoulders
the responsibility for Hecker's care
upon Schuylkill county. It is under-
stood, however, that the officials of this
county will refute the claim on the ground
that, notwithstanding the period of residence
and payment of taxes here, Hecker was a
transient resident, and that the character of
his business and subsequent removal proved
it. Poor Director Stephen Middleton was in
town to-day securing evidence to side track
the responsibility of this county.

The letter from Bradford makes no refer-
ence to Hecker's wife and child, other than
to ask if Hecker had a wife while he resided
here.

The case is an interesting one in many
respects. It is not only a vivid illustration
of the hardships some poor mortals have to
contend with in this world, in their struggle
for an existence; but it also lays bare an
excellent example for the authorities of this
county to follow. Hecker was a man of
education, ability and refinement. He was a
citizen and taxpayer, but now that he is ill,
without money or friends, and worse than all,
deprived of his reason, his helpless frame is
a shuttlecock in a game of responsibility
between two counties as to who shall give
him a wrecked body shelter. There have been
cases in this county where people have
become a charge upon the taxpayers within
a few months after their arrival in this
country from across the sea. These poor
creatures were not responsible for this, but
had Bradford county diligence been exercised
the responsibility would have been fixed, and
no doubt at the very doors of the immigra-
tion headquarters. Perhaps poor Hecker's
case may be a foundation for a great reform.

Hecker's Fate.

Baked beans and pork to-night. Clam
soup to-morrow morning.

Notice to Candidates.

The Republican county and district candi-
dates are requested to meet in the parlors of
the Merchants' hotel, Pottsville, on Thurs-
day afternoon at 3 o'clock for the purpose of
electing a county chairman. By order of
ELIAS DAY, Chairman County Convention.

It will pay you to read Ike Orkin's an-
nouncements on the fourth page.

MAX LEVIT'S.



We have just opened up a full
line of new woolen underwear di-
rect from the mills, and are now
ready to put them on the market.
We are offering them at our usual
low and astonishing prices. Look
at our list of different kinds:

MEDICATED RED FLANNELS,
FINE CAMEL'S HAIR, . . .
FINE NATURAL WOOL, . . .

Also a full line of Fleece-Lined
Underwear from 38c. to \$1.75.

We still retain the agency for
Sivitt's Conde goods.

MAX LEVIT,

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EAST CENTRE STREET.